for the next 15—20 years. The committee was, at a later stage Chaired by Member (Energy), Planning Commission. The other members of the Committee include Secretaries to the Government of India in the Ministries of Power, Coal, Petroleum and Natural Gas, Non-Conventional Energy Sources, Environment and Forests, Department of Atomic Energy, Chairman, Power Finance Corporation, Director, Tata Energy Research Institute, Director Indira Gandhi Institute of Developmental Research, Secretary General, Confederation of Indian Industry and Adviser (Energy) Planning Commission as Member Secretary.

The Committee has held nine meetings so far and various issues relating to the present energy scenario, future demand and policy issues have been discussed in detail during these meetings. The Committee is in the process of finalising its report.

Shifting of Power Grid Corporation to Guwahati

1479. SHRI DRUPAD BORGOHAIN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that land is not provided in Shillong for North-East Regional Headquarters and colony complex of the Powergrid Corporation of India Ltd.; and

(b) if so, whether Government consider to shift the Headquarter and colony complex of Powergrid to Guwahati asking Assam Government to provide land;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) Government of Meghalaya, (Revenue Department) has issued Gazette Notification on 1.6.1999 for acquisition of land at Shillong for the North-Eastern Regional (NER) Headquarters and staff colony of POWERGRID. As such there is no proposal to shift NER Headquarter and colony complex of POWERGRID to Guwahati.